

The Commonwealth.

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ABOUT PRINTING THE NEWS.

This paper has lately been requested in numerous instances not to publish matters of news relating to the mayor's court. Our reporters have respected these requests. Hereafter matters of news, irrespective of whom it may concern, will be published unless the matter be so indecent that it should not go into the columns of the paper. It is not our desire to hurt the feelings or injure anyone but after carefully considering the matter we think it good policy, when publishing a newspaper, to publish the news.—Kinston Free Press.

The foregoing by the Free Press simply tells a sort of thorny secret that prickles the flesh in almost every newspaper office in the land. To say the truth, the public generally is very exacting and sometimes unfair with newspapers. When a newspaper reporter begins to discriminate in news matters, either to expose one person or to shield another, he has entered a field that to the thoughtful and reasoning mind is quite uninviting.

The truth is, in no work on earth does one find more clearly demonstrated the Latin idiom that "there are as many minds as there are persons" than in newspaper reporting. For instance, something happens in a town or a community that creates general talk of the most unfavorable nature, and the people talk it and continue to talk it; but when it is printed in a newspaper some of the very persons who talked the most and most freely are the very first to criticize the paper for printing it.

Nine times out of ten when strenuous objections are made to local news it is a case of "depending on whose ox is gored." The newspapers could sometimes make it lively by printing all that floats when they with commendable conservatism let many things pass unnoticed.

But when a matter becomes general news either by court trials or common talk, if it is not too indecent to go into print no newspaper ought to be criticized for printing it. Newspapers many times print things that they regret fully as much as do the readers or the persons concerned, but the line where to begin sifting news to shield one or expose another is hard to find; and were it ever so easily found we should doubt whether there would be wisdom or right in observing it.

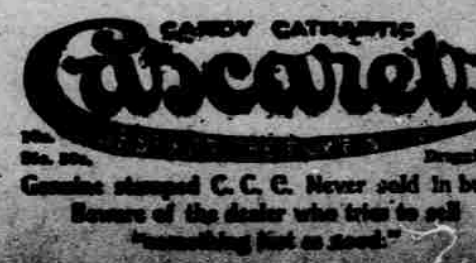
The newspaper is the first medium to which the public turns for advocating a good enterprise or denouncing a threatening evil; but when it prints news that does not exactly suit every one it is readily discounted for doing so.

So far as this paper is concerned, it has never printed an unpleasant item of news without bearing as deep or deeper regret over it than any one who read it or heard of it.

Finally, another view: Many readers say that they pay for newspapers in order to get the news, and so they hold the paper responsible for giving the news as a part of the contract; and as long as a paper prints the decent truth in a reasonably conservative manner, it ought to go free of blame.

A SUGGESTION TO FARMERS.

Winterville, N. C., April 8, 1901.
Owing to the extreme scarcity of labor we would advise all farmers to arrange their tobacco rows so every eighth row will be five feet wide, and by so doing you can use a tobacco truck and thus house your tobacco with much less labor and cost. There were some trucks used in certain sections last season for housing tobacco, and we find in every section where the truck was used there will be a great demand for them this season, and orders for several hundred trucks have already been placed and many more will doubtless come in yet. If you will lay out your rows as stated above it will take no extra manure and but little more land, and if you do not use the truck you can tote your tobacco along the wide row much better, and if you are going to be headquarters for tobacco trucks of best style.
A. G. COX MFG. CO.



BUILT UPON SMALL INDUSTRIES.

Under the above heading the Manufacturers' Record, published in Baltimore, refers to the work THE COMMONWEALTH has been trying to do for Scotland Neck for the past dozen years.

The Manufacturers' Record has done more towards developing the South, we believe, than any other single publication of any kind, and it speaks from experience and from the standpoint of sympathy for every worthy southern development. It says of Scotland Neck:

"Not many years ago Scotland Neck, N. C., was a town to which people from the surrounding country came to buy goods made at distant points. The Commonwealth, the weekly paper of the town, realizing that there was nothing for the growth of the town in mere trading, began to agitate for factories. In its desperation, after months of unsuccessful agitation for factories, it said that even a tanyard would be better than nothing. At the time the paper was contending for a cotton mill. Its efforts in this direction were finally successful, and it now has the satisfaction of recording the fact that after the first knitting mill came other mills and other kinds of manufacturing establishments, until today the weekly payroll amounts to \$1,100. This amount may not appear great, but it is just \$1,100 more than the amount of money earned in the town ten years ago, and is an apt illustration of the advantages accruing from the location of industries in any community."

THE BOARD REPLIES.

It will be remembered that during the session of the Legislature Mr. W. A. White, one of the employees of the Institution for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind at Raleigh, preferred charges against the management of the institution. A committee of investigation was appointed by the Legislature. The committee made investigations and made a report, and then afterwards, as we remember, made a supplemental report. The charges in effect were that extravagance had characterized the management of the institution and that funds which were appropriated for one purpose had been expended for another.

After the not very definite report of the investigating committee, the whole matter was turned over to the Governor. A special committee from the board of directors of the institution has made a report to Governor Aycock in the nature of a reply to the charges made by Mr. White and somewhat concurred in by the Legislature's investigating committee.

The report of the committee of the directors to Governor Aycock exonerates the management of the institution of any extravagance or perversion of funds. The report is so long we cannot give it space, but it was printed in full in the Raleigh Post of Saturday, April 13th. It is signed by Thomas B. Womack, W. N. Jones and James A. Briggs. Then follows a certificate by Mr. N. B. Broughton concerning the organ that the institution purchased for the Tabernacle Baptist church of Raleigh.

The entire report of these gentlemen must be read to be appreciated. We read carefully all the charges of Mr. White and the report of the investigating committee, and it appeared at the time that some matters concerning the institution were not exactly clear; but the report of the committee from the directors to Governor Aycock is fully satisfactory. The matters that were left in doubt are cleared up, and it now seems that some injustice was done the management of the institution.

FOOD CHANGED TO POISON.

Putrefying food in the intestines produces effects like those of arsenic, but Dr. King's New Life Pills expel the poisons from clogged bowels, gently, easily and surely, curing Constipation, Biliousness, Sick Headache, Fevers, all Liver, Kidney and Bowel troubles. Only 25c. at E. T. Whitehead & Co's.

ANOTHER RICHMOND FIRE.

The large department Meyer store was burned in Richmond last Wednesday. The loss was a quarter million dollars, covered by considerable insurance.

Hundreds of employees were thrown out of work. One man was burned in the building.
It was thought that perhaps the fire originated from matches and rods. It is thought the fire store will soon be rebuilt.

YOUNG GIANTS IN DEBATE.

Atlanta Journal.

The debate between the chosen champions of the University of Georgia and the University of North Carolina at Athens last Friday night was a superb display of youthful intellect and dialectic skill and power.

The four young men who then and there met and contended on the arena of debate left a lasting impression upon every one who heard them and in the minds of many raised the hopes of the possibilities of the generation which is soon to take part in the affairs of our country.

These young intellectual athletes debated one of the great problems of our time, the question whether the combinations commonly known as trusts are more injurious than beneficial. To say that each side upheld its contention well is an underestimate. We must seek the superlatives to find terms in which to characterize their efforts properly.

Georgia had the popular side of the question, the side against the trusts, and yet so splendidly did North Carolina support its position that when the three judges came to combine their separate and independent estimates of the merits of the discussion only a small fraction separated the disputants, but the balance fell in Georgia's favor.

What fine specimens of high, ambitious, thoughtful and forceful young manhood those four boys were!

Goodrich and McIntyre of Georgia; Stern and Williams of North Carolina! Not one of them more than twenty and all of them to continue for more than a year yet in the college curriculum!

Such a marshaling of facts and logic as every one of these young giants effected would do credit to veteran debaters.

Seldom even in the halls of national legislation is such strong, clear, clear and intelligent discussion heard as these youngsters gave last Friday night. They had studied the subject in all its bearings and had prepared arguments with consummate skill.

When Judge Samuel Lumpkin in delivering the award said that he did not believe that an able or more instructive debate had been heard in the Georgia legislature within the last twenty years, a gentleman in the audience said that he was giving faint praise.

Seldom in any of our frequent conferences which have considered the trust problem have the reasons pro and con been given so well; seldom have the attack and defence been so forcibly made and resisted.

The style, bearing and manner of the debaters was wellnigh beyond criticism.

There was none of that exuberance of rhetoric which so often mars and weakens the effect of what even very bright young men usually give as the result of their study and reflections. Throughout the debate there was nothing but solid argument, apt illustrations, close adherence to the subject under discussion and a noble courtesy toward the opposition.

Every Georgian who heard the debate was as proud of North Carolina as North Carolina would have been proud of Georgia had the debate occurred at her university. And so in a high sense, in the highest sense, indeed, the universal verdict was, that though one side won the decision, both sides were splendidly victorious.

OF INTEREST TO FARMERS.

Correspondence to The Commonwealth.

As the spring has opened and crops are being planted, insects are again becoming numerous and their ravages will soon begin. We wish to urge farmers not to wait until a crop is ruined, and then write for information, but as soon as an insect enemy is detected, send some specimens to this office, so that they may be identified, and remedies suggested. The importance of the work against injurious insects is becoming more and more apparent. Everybody is invited to make free use of this office to obtain information regarding insect friends and foes.

FRANKLIN SHERMAN, Jr., Entomologist, N. C. Department of Agriculture, Raleigh, N. C.

DON'T LET THEM SUFFER.

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NEW APPOINTMENTS.

Since our last issue Governor Aycock has appointed Mr. J. F. Spainhour, of Burke county, Solicitor for the Fourteenth Judicial district. Also Mr. C. C. Daniels, of Wilson, has been appointed Solicitor of the Fourth Judicial district. James A. Gidger, of Asheville, has also been appointed Solicitor of the Fifteenth district.

Get What You Ask For!

When you ask for Cascares Candy Cathartic be sure you get them. Genuine tablets stamped C. C. C. Never sold in bulk. A substitute is always a cheat and a fraud. Beware! All druggists, etc.

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF TEACHERS' ASSEMBLY.

The Teachers Assembly will meet at Wrightville Beach near Wilmington this year on June 11th to 16th inclusive.

The headquarters of the Assembly will be at the Sea Shore Hotel. This Hotel and the Ocean View Hotel are very near the tossing waves of "Grand Old Ocean." In fact the waves come within a few feet of both of these Hotels at high tide.

Rates on the Beach for board to members of the Assembly will be \$1.50 per day. Persons wishing to stop in the city of Wilmington can go to and from the beach for 25c. round trip ticket.

Board at the Orton House in Wilmington at \$2.00 per day. At other hotels in the city at \$1.00 per day.

Members of the Assembly will be given special rates on Steam Boats down the River. On this trip down the River many places of historic interest will be seen.

All persons who purchase the Assembly Coupon Tickets from R. R. Agents will be entitled to all the special rates and special privileges that are given to bona fide teachers. In Short all persons purchasing the Coupon Tickets become members of the Assembly.

The R. R. Coupon will be good to and from the Beach one time; all other trips to and from the city will cost 25 cents.

Saturday will be recreation day. A trip down Cape Fear river has been arranged for this day.

A most interesting and attractive program has been arranged. Among the persons on the program are such men as Governor Aycock and Justice Walter Clark.

J. ALLEN HOLT, Pres.

C. H. MERRICK, Sec. and Treas.

HE KEPT HIS LEG.

Twelve years ago J. W. Sullivan, of Hartford, Conn., scratched his leg with a rusty wire. Inflammation and blood poisoning set in. For two years he suffered intensely. Then the best doctors urged amputation, "but," he writes, "I used one bottle of Electric Bitters and 1-2 boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve and my leg was sound and well as ever." For Eruptions, Eczema, Tetter, Salt Rheum, Sores and all blood disorders Electric Bitters has no rival on earth. Try them. E. T. Whitehead & Co. will guarantee satisfaction or refund money. Only 50 cents.

FIRE IN JACKSONVILLE.

A special to the News and Observer from Jacksonville, N. C., April 16th, said that a disastrous fire had consumed a large part of the town that day. The fire broke out at noon and did its work rapidly. The cause was unknown.

Questions for Women

Are you nervous?
Are you completely exhausted?
Do you suffer every month?
If you answer "yes" to any of these questions, you have the Wine of Cardui. Do you appreciate what perfect health would be to you? After taking Wine of Cardui, thousands like you have realized it. Nervous strain, loss of sleep, cold or indigestion starts menstrual disorders that are not noticeable at first, but day by day steadily grow into troublesome complications. Wine of Cardui, used just before the menstrual period, will keep the female system in perfect condition. This medicine is taken quietly at home. There is nothing like it to help women enjoy good health. It costs only \$1 to test this remedy, which is endorsed by 1,000,000 cured women.

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DUBBERLY, LA., Jan. 9, 1901.

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Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Sir:—Before either of my daughters was born I was dying with kidney disease. I am now a grandmother. There are no words to tell what I suffered. When I lay down at night I would pray if there was no relief for me that I would never see another morning. Anyone could see I could not in this condition live long. My husband tried doctor after doctor, but I got no better, and oh! the nasty stuff I swallowed. Some day, I don't remember now how, one of your pamphlets fell into my hands. I saw cures just like mine described, so I thought maybe your remedy might help me. I asked my husband to get it, but he had no faith in patent medicines, so he went to another doctor. Still I grew worse. People who lived some distance from me told me afterward that they would ask when they saw any of my neighbors if I was still alive. One day I saw a friend going to town, and I told him to bring me a bottle of Warner's Safe Cure. I had not taken it three days before I began to feel better. When that bottle was gone I had no trouble getting my husband to get me another. I also sent for the pills. I took in all about ten bottles of Warner's Safe Cure and five of the Safe Pills. I do all my own work; have very little need of medicine. I have often thought I would tell you what your remedy did for me, but put it off from time to time. Thanking you for my life, I am, respectfully,
Mrs. NELLIE DAVIS.

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Land Sale For Taxes.

I will sell for taxes and cost, at the court house the following land in Palmyra township on the first Monday in June, 1901:
W. C. Harday, 222 acres near Palmyra, \$15.03
Mrs. Clara A. Allsbrook, 60 acres, Deep Creek, 2.85
Weldon Bowers, 6 acres Smith land woods, 3.00
Steward Bowers, 62 acres Piny wood, 4.82
James Boyd, 4 Piny woods, 2.54
Col. for Palmyra Township.

Notice.

By virtue of power vested in me by mortgage executed to me by W. K. White and wife Penelope, on April 17, 1891, and recorded in book 94, pages 257, 258 and 259, in office of Register of Deeds for Halifax county, I shall sell for cash at public auction in the town of Scotland Neck, N. C., on or before the first day of April, 1902, that piece of land containing about 120 acres, lying on road leading from Scotland Neck to Terboro (right hand side) adjoining the lands of Collin Gray, the Pitt tract and the piece of land on which the residence of said White and wife is situated. G. S. WHITE, Mortgagee.

Quarters!

OLD
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Having moved into our new quarters we are prepared to do a more satisfactory business both to our customers and ourselves than ever before.

Spring
Goods

Of the Latest Styles and
Prettiest Patterns.

We study our customers' interest now just as we always have.

Still yours for business,
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Truett's Sale of Town Lots.

By virtue of power in me vested by that deed of trust which was executed to me by J. W. Clark and his wife Hettie on the 7th day of July, 1896, which is duly recorded in the Register's office for Halifax county in Book 114 on page 234, I shall sell for cash at auction in Scotland Neck, on 11th day of May, 1901, the following described real estate lying, being and situated in Scotland Neck, to-wit:

1. That parcel of land bought by said J. W. Clark of W. H. Kitchen upon which he has erected a two story house, and beginning at North East corner of Block No. 58 according to the map of said town, thence about south along Greenwood street, fifty feet, thence in a straight line and parallel with 12th street towards Roanoke street, fifty feet, thence in a parallel line with Greenwood street, 50 feet to 12th street, thence a straight line to the beginning.
2. Another parcel bought by said Clark from said Kitchen in said town, located on said block, and fronting on 12th street and beginning at a stake, an old iron pipe, about 60 yards from Roanoke street, thence a straight line parallel with 12th street towards Greenwood street, fifty feet, thence along 12th street to the beginning.
This April 8th, 1901.
4-11-4: C. SPEED, Trustee.

Notice.

This is to notify all persons that I have been qualified as executor of the estate of Mrs. E. A. Little, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present them to me on or before the first day of April, 1902, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please settle at once. This 25th day of March, 1901.
W. H. P. JEWELL, Executor of said estate.
By J. G. BARNES, Attorney.

TAYLOR,

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Pioneer Grocer of the Town

The first to undertake the Exclusive Grocery Business here six years ago, having weathered the storm of long (while many competitors have dropped in and out) still solicits the patronage of the good people of the town and community. Remember.

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Sale of Land for Taxes.

On the first Monday in May, 1901, shall sell at the court house in Halifax the following lands for taxes for 1900:

CONOCONARA TOWNSHIP.

Marcellus Smith, 400 acres Cochrane land, \$200
Bennett Allsbrook, 25 acres Beech land, 25
Caroline Carpenter, 27 acres Rawls land, 27
W. B. Jones, 100 acres King land, 100
W. B. Jones, 108 acres Mason land, 108
Harriett Atkins, 196 acres Residence, 196
Silvia Beech, 55 acres, Baker land, 55
Walter B. Jones, 100 acres, King land, 100
Walter B. Jones, 108 acres, Marrow land, 108
Gabe Devereaux, 50 acres, Richardson's land, 50
Daniel Devereaux, 50 acres, Residence, 50
C. W. DUNN, Tax Collector.

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Scotland Neck, North Carolina.

Notice.

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of J. B. Hill, all persons holding claims against his estate are hereby notified to present them to me on or before the 16th day of May, 1902, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. All persons indebted to him are requested to make immediate payment. This March 8th, 1901.
NOAH BARNES, Administrator of J. B. Hill's Estate.